

Bill Aimed^{Pool} At War Foes^{9/1/66} Passes Test

The House Rules Committee approved yesterday a bill aimed at the activities of some antiwar groups which have tried to block U.S. troop trains and ship blood and medical supplies to the Vietcong.

The bill now goes to the full House, and its sponsor, Rep. Joe R. Pool (D-Tex.), said it has "a very good chance of passage."

No opposition to the measure was expressed during a one-hour Rules Committee hearing. Several Rules Committee members, however, pressed sponsors on whether the bill adequately protects constitutional rights of free speech.

Chairman Edwin E. Willis (D-La.) of the Committee on Un-American Activities said the bill is aimed at "overt acts against our Government" and has "nothing to do with the right to protest, the right to speech, the right to remonstrate and the right to demonstrate."

In Tokyo, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart said it would be "clearly and obviously flagrantly unconstitutional" for Congress to punish Americans who express opposition to the war in Vietnam.

He said that since Congress has not declared war, peaceful expression of opinion, no matter how critical or distasteful it may be to the Government, is "completely guaranteed" by the Constitution.